

Appl. No. 10/294,024
Amdt. Dated 01/25/2007
Reply to Office action of 10/25/2006

REMARKS

Claims 1 and 2 are pending in the instant application.

Claim Rejections – 35 USC § 102

The Examiner stated that claims 1-2 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by McAdam (US 2004/0199559).

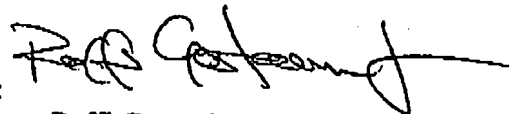
The instant invention was filed on 03/09/2004 and has an earliest priority date of 03/10/2003 via U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/453,162. By contrast, McAdams was published on 10/07/2004 and has an earliest priority date of 04/07/2003 via U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/461,065.

As such, Applicant does not believe that McAdam is a proper reference under 35 U.S.C. 102(e), and thus respectfully believes the current claims are in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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